

MARINE CORPS EMERGENCY ACTIONS CENTER  
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SUMMARY OF ITEMS OF SIGNIFICANT INTEREST

PERIOD 210701 - 220700 SEPTEMBER 1962

1. CARIBBEAN

a. CG FMFLANT REQUESTED CG 2D MAW COMMENTS REGARDING DEPLOYMENT OF ONE RADAR SET AN/TPS-15 AND PERSONNEL TO GTMO FOR TEST PERIOD OF ABOUT 30 DAYS. OBJECTIVES OF TEST ARE TO DETERMINE IMPROVEMENT OF RADAR COVERAGE AND CHARACTERISTICS.

CG FMFLANT FURTHER REQUESTED FROM CMC THE FEASIBILITY OF USING TPS-15 FROM MARINE CORPS SUPPLY CENTER, ALBANY OR OTHER SOURCE VICE FMFLANT SOURCES. IF EXPECTED IMPROVEMENT OF COVERAGE IS REALIZED, THE EQUIPMENT WOULD BE RETAINED AT GUANTANAMO FOR OPERATIONAL USE.

CG FMFLANT 202230Z (S)

b. CINCONAD CONCURRED WITH CINCLANT THAT CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO PROVIDING KEY WEST WITH A LOW ALTITUDE GROUND-TO-AIR MISSILE DEFENSE CAPABILITY. HE RECOMMENDED CINCLANT CONVENE A CONFERENCE WITH ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES TO DISCUSS AVAILABILITY OF SAM UNITS, ALTERNATE SOLUTION IF SAM UNITS UNAVAILABLE AND RELATED PROBLEMS OF AIR DEFENSE SYSTEMS.

CINCONAD 202040Z (TS)

c. COMASWFORLANT REPORTS SIGHTING A RUSSIAN CONVOY IDENTIFIED AS 1 TANKER, AND FOUR LOADED FREIGHTERS APPROXIMATELY 200 MILES NE OF CUBA. SHIPS ARE APPARENTLY ENROUTE TO CUBA. ONE REPORT INDICATES SHIPS WERE BEING ESCORTED BY TWO SUBMARINES.

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REGRADING, DOD DIR 5200.10  
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2. ASIA

a. CINCPAC ADVISED JCS OF A REQUIREMENT FOR MILITARY POLICE SUPPORT IN BANGKOK TO PROVIDE JOINT PATROLS WITH THAI POLICE, PROMPT INVESTIGATION OF INCIDENTS AND SECURITY OF CLASSIFIED MATERIAL.

HE REQUESTED 25 MPs TO BE ASSIGNED TO JUSMAG SUPPORT GROUP ALFA ON PCS BASIS.

CINCPAC 200026Z (C)

3. MARINE CORPS

a. EFFECTIVE 24 SEPTEMBER, THE FOLLOWING UNIT REDESIGNATIONS WILL BE EFFECTED:

<u>CURRENT UNIT</u>	<u>NEW DESIGNATION</u>
1ST BN 3D MARINES	3D BN 5TH MARINES
2D BN 5TH MARINES	1ST BN 3D MARINES

CG 3D MARDIV 220326Z (U)

b. CG FMFPAC ADVISED CG 1ST MARDIV THAT THE DEACTIVATION OF 3D ARMORED AMPHIBIAN COMPANY, FMF IS REAFFIRMED EFFECTIVE 25 SEPTEMBER 1962.

CG FMFPAC 220158Z (U)

4. MOVEMENTS

a. MACS-9 WILL DEPART TREASURE ISLAND ON 23 SEPTEMBER AND IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IWAKUNI, JAPAN ON 5 OCTOBER.

MACS-9 211435Z (U)

b. 1ST LAAM BN ARRIVED MCAS, YUMA ON 20 SEPTEMBER IN A MOVEMENT FROM TWENTY NINE PALMS, CALIFORNIA.

1ST LAAM BN 211147Z (U)

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**MOVEMENTS (Contd)**

c. USS PRINCETON (LPH-5) WITH HMM-364 EMBARKED (20 HUS AIRCRAFT) DEPARTED PEARL HARBOR ON 21 SEPTEMBER IN CONNECTION WITH PROJECT DOMINIC MISSION.

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USS PRINCETON 202200Z (C)

d. CMC ARRIVED KADENA 210815Z.

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210847Z (U)

**5. MISCELLANEOUS**

a. CINCNORAD SUBMITTED COMMENTS TO JCS CONCERNING THE DIRECTOR OF DEFENSE RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING REPORT ON WARNING AGAINST BALLISTIC MISSILES, DATED 17 SEPTEMBER 1962. THE SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS WERE SUPPORTED BY NORAD. HOWEVER, HE STATED THAT HE DID NOT AGREE WITH THE IMPLICATION IN THE REPORT THAT U. S. HARD MISSILES CONSTITUTE AN INVULNERABLE FORCE; AND THAT WARNING IS OF DECLINING IMPORTANCE AND ACTIVE DEFENSE IS UNNECESSARY FOR OUR RETALIATORY FORCE.

CINCNORAD FURTHER STATED THAT THE INVULNERABILITY OF FLEET BALLISTIC MISSILE FORCES CANNOT BE ASSURED INDEFINITELY AND THAT ACTIVE DEFENSE OF OUR STRIKE FORCES, PARTICULARLY THOSE THAT MIGHT CONSTITUTE A RESERVE IS NECESSARY FOR CONTINUATION OF A CREDIBLE DETERRENT POSTURE. HE CONTENDS THAT THE ROLE OF THE MANNED AIRCRAFT WILL BE EMPLOYED TO FULFILL MANY WARTIME REQUIREMENTS AS FAR AS THE FUTURE CAN BE FORESEEN, AND AS LONG AS MANNED AIRCRAFT ARE ESSENTIAL TO THE EFFECTIVE PROSECUTION OF WARFARE ACTIVE DEFENSE WITH EARLY WARNING WILL BE ESSENTIAL TO THE PROTECTION OF THESE FORCES.

CINCNORAD 202024Z (S)

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**MISCELLANEOUS (Contd)**

b. THE MERCURY FLIGHT (MA-8) HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL  
AT LEAST 3 OCTOBER.

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CBS NEWS (U)

6. **DEFCONS**

a. NO CHANGE.

JOINT WAR ROOM

TO BE RETURNED TO  
EAC WITHIN 5 DAYS

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